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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	10/092,616
Confirmation Number	8662
Filing Date	March 08, 2002
First Named Inventor	Takahiro NAKA
Group Art Unit	2853
Examiner Name	Ly T. Tran
Matter Number	Q68810

Title	COLORING AGENT AMOUNT RECORDING APPARATUS, COLORING AGENT MATERIALS COST PROCESSING APPARATUS, COLORING AGENT CARTRIDGE, AND COLLECTION OF THE CARTRIDGE
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
 - i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on November 20, 2003
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
 - iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
 - v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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